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STATEMENT OF HARRY JOSEPH, GANGAW Qr., KYAIKTO

Name	HARRY JOSEPH. Age 23 Yrs.
Father	Mr. P. S. JOSEPH
Caste	Anglo Indian, Christian
Address	GANGAW Qr., KYAIKTO. (M 5298)

[HARRY JOSEPH, having been duly sworn, states:-

"I solemnly and sincerely declare that I will tell the truth, the whole truth, nothing but the truth."

"The KEMPEITAI of KYAIKTO stayed in our house from April 45 to June 45. There were about 25 KEMPEITAI personnel. The names of some of the KEMPEITAI are given below:-

- (1) Lt. MATSUOKA (Approx. 40 yrs. of age - Height approx 5'6" with spectacles: thin).
- (2) Sgt. Maj. KAWASAKI (age approx. 35/40 - Height approx 5'6" Thin - always speaks with a smile.)
- (3) Sgt. KATO (Age approx. 30/35 - Height approx 5' 1" - shoulder slightly bent.)
- (4) Sgt. TOYAMA (Age approx. 35 - Height approx 5'6" cruel looking).
- (5) Sgt. SUZUKI (called MOKPALIN SUZUKI who came to KYAIKTO from KEMPEITAI HQ at MOKPALIN (G 3814) Age approx 35 - stout - height approx 5' 6")

Among these KEMPEITAIS, No. (3) Sgt. KATO and No. (4) Sgt. TOYAMA were the cruelest of the lot.

I was arrested on 17 June 45 by the a/m KEMPEITAIS, who occupied my house. I did not know why I was arrested. I escaped from their custody the same night and did not see them again.

[While I was staying in my house together with the a/m KEMPEITAIS for about 2 months I witnessed their atrocities (especially of Sgt. KATO and Sgt. TOYAMA) Prisoners (names NOT know) were ill treated in the following manners, while in their custody:-

- (1) Beat the prisoners with big solid bamboo sticks (approx. length 4'/5' - diameter 3") Beat the prisoners until they confessed (i.e. forced confession).
- (2) During beating and interrogation, prisoners were made to squat with hands and feet tied with ropes.
- (3) The hands of the prisoners were tied with ropes. Prisoners were then strung up to the roof of the house by their hand so that their feet did not touch the ground. Prisoners were left like this for some time.
- (4) During interrogation, the prisoner's hands and legs were splashed with large quantity of boiling water.

(5) The prisoner was blind folded, then a large quantity of water slowly poured into his mouth and nostrils, so that the prisoner suffocated.

Among the KEMPEITAIS, Lt. MATSUOKA gave the orders and the rest carried them out. I could definitely say that Sgt. KATO and Sgt. TOYAMA were the cruelest KEMPEITAIS of the lot.

/s/ HARRY

Recorded by me on 13 Nov. 45 at KYAIKTO (M 5298)

/s/ Lt. BA KO
Det. 602 F.S.S.
63 Ind. Inf. Bde.

This statement has been read over to the witness in a language which he understands and has been acknowledged by him to be correct.

/s/ Lt. B. KO
Det. 602 F.S.S.
63 Ind. Inf. Bde.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this is a true copy of the Sworn Statement made by HARRY JOSEPH, Anglo Indian, Christian, GANGAW Qr., KYAIKTO (M 5298) before Lt. BA KO, Det. 602 F.S.S. 63 Ind. Inf. Bde.

/s/ J.S.F. BURNETT Lt. Col.
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「私ハ眞實金クノ眞實、只眞實ノミラ過ベルコト
ヲ長ニ且ツ長西日ニ宣讀シマス。」キヤイクト
「/KATO/」/KATO/、憲兵隊ハ一九四五年ノ昭和二十
年四月カテ六月迄私ノ家ニ居在シマシ。憲兵隊
員ノ数ハ約二十五名シタ」

私ハ歲二月間前記憲兵隊員ト一續ニ私ノ家ニ居
タ間ニ、私ハソノ侮辱行爲(即ニ加古/KATO/
軍官戸山/TOYAMA/軍官ノ)ヲ目撃シタ。捕虜
(姓名不詳)ハ監禁中次ノ様子方丈ヲ虐待サレタ。

(一) 大キア国イ俗ノ聲(長テ約四、五尺、經三時)
捕虜ヲ殴打シタ。捕虜ヲ自由ハル殴打シタ。(
自由監禁的自由)

(二) 欧打訊問中、捕虜ハ手足ヲ縛テ縛ラレ坐ラサレ
タ。

(三) 捕虜ノ手ハ縛テ縛ラレタ。次ニ捕虜ハ足方塊ニ
付カナイ様ニ手足家ノ天井ニ繋ガレタ。捕虜ハ
毎ク此ノ様ニシテ放置サレタ。

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(四) 飢餓中、鶴鳥ノ手足ハ多長ノ爲めノ死滅ヲ掛ケ
テレク。

(五) 鶴鳥ハ目隠ヲサレアカラ多長ノ水ヲ陰ハニ口及
ビ鼻腔ニ達キタル、爲ニ窒息シタ。